

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-20 are pending. Claims 1, 4, 5, 13, 14, 15, 17, and 18 have been amended. The specification has been amended to correct informalities. No new matter has been added. The amendment to the claims and specification indicated herein substantially correspond to the previous Preliminary Amendment, filed on October 8, 2004. In addition to those amendments, claims 15 and 18 have been amended to correct informalities.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Applicants believe all claims now pending in this Application are in condition for allowance. The issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance at an early date is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 650-326-2400.

Respectfully submitted,



Steve Y. Cho
Reg. No. 44,612

TOWNSEND and TOWNSEND and CREW LLP
Two Embarcadero Center, Eighth Floor
San Francisco, California 94111-3834
Tel: 650-326-2400
Fax: 415-576-0300
SYC:syc
60431684 v1